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WHITEHOUSE FOR JON HOWE AND SUSAN HERTER

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SUBJ: VICE PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO IRAN

THERE FOLLOWS A SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION PERTAINING
TO THE VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO IRAN:

1. IN A MEETING THIS MORNING WITH THE GRAND MASTER OF CEREMONIES
AND CHIEF OF PROTOCOL AND OTHER GOI OFFICIALS, AND AMERICAN EMBASSY
STAFF, WE DISCUSSED THE DETAILS OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT.
THEY WERE EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE AND EXPRESSED A DESIRE FOR COMPLETE
COOPERATION WITH ANY OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S WISHES. AFTER
DISCUSSING VARIOUS ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS FOR THE VISIT, IT WAS
AGREED BY BOTH SIDES THAT IF IT MEETS WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT'S
APPROVAL, THE MOST DESIRABLE PLAN WOULD BE FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT'S
PARTY TO FLY DIRECTLY FROM PARIS TO KISH ISLAND AND REMAIN
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THERE THROUGHOUT THE VISIT, WITH A SIGHTSEEING AND SHOPPING

SIDE TRIP TO ISFAHAN ON MARCH 25. THIS PLAN WOULD SIMPLIFY LOGISTIC ARRANGEMENTS, IMPROVE SECURITY, MAKE A MORE RELAXED VISIT, AND WOULD ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A FORMAL STATE DINNER, WHICH WOULD BE NECESSARY IF THE PARTY STOPPED IN TEHRAN. IRANIAN TRADITION REQUIRES THAT DURING THE DAY IN ISFAHAN THE VICE PRESIDENT AND THE OFFICIAL PARTY BE THE GUESTS OF THE GOVERNOR GENERAL AT AN INFORMAL LUNCHEON.

GUESTS AT THIS LUNCHEON WOULD BE:

VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS. ROCKEFELLER

MISS MURPHY

AMBASSADOR AND MRS. HELMS

ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON

MRS. HERTER

CAPTAIN HOWE, AS WELL AS THE PRINCIPAL OFFICER IN ISFAHAN

GENE MARSHALL.

IRANIAN GUESTS WILL INCLUDE:

COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE ISFAHAN DISTRICT

CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY

GOI PROTOCOL ESCORT OFFICER

AND THEIR WIVES.

ABOUT 1700 THE ENTIRE PARTY WOULD RETURN TO KISH ISLAND AND REMAIN OVERNIGHT FOR DEPARTURE FOR KUALA LUMPUR THE FOLLOWING MORNING.

2. IF THIS SCENARIO IS APPROVED, THE DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL STATEMENTS WILL BE RELEASED BY THE EMBASSY.

3. GIFTS: WHILE WE SUGGESTED THAT THE EXCHANGE OF GIFTS BE KEPT AT A MODEST LEVEL, IRANIAN ARE TRADITIONALLY GRACIOUS, AND THE VICE PRESIDENT SHOULD BE PREPARED TO PRESENT AN APPROPRIATE GIFT TO THEIR MAJESTIES. WE SUGGEST A GIFT IN THE SPIRIT OF THE BICENTENNIAL THEME.

4. IN REVIEWING THE ISFAHAN SITUATION, IT IS ADVISABLE THAT THE VISIT NOT BE PUBLICIZED. A DETAILED SCHEDULE FOLLOWS:

TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 1976

9:00 AM AIR FORCE II DEPARTS PARIS EN ROUTE KISH ISLAND

FLYING TIME: 6 HOURS 30 MINUTES

TIME CHANGE: 2 HOURS 30 MINUTES

WEATHER: EARLY SUMMER, 70-75 DEGREES, MOSTLY SUNNY

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6:00 PM AT FORCE II ARRIVES KISH ISLAND

VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS. ROCKEFELLER AND MISS MURPHY WILL DEPLANE AND PROCEED EN ROUTE THEIR RESIDENCE.

NOTE: THE ENTIRE PARTY, INCLUDING SUPPORT GROUP, WILL BE HOUSED ON KISH ISLAND IN AN AREA SEPARATE AND APART FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT AND OFFICIAL PARTY.

PERSONAL STAFF TIME FOR ENTIRE PARTY.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 1976

NOTE: PERSONAL STAFF TIME FOR ENTIRE PARTY. THE
FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES ARE AVAILABLE ON KISH ISLAND:
TENNIS, SWIMMING, HORSEBACK RIDING, HIKING, BOATING
AND SAILING. THIS WOULD BE AN INFORMAL TWO DAYS.
THE ROYAL FAMILY WILL BE IN RESIDENCE AND
PRESUMABLY WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO SPEND TIME WITH
THE VICE PRESIDENT, MRS. ROCKEFELLER AND MALINDA.
DRESS FOR KISH ISLAND: SPORTS WEAR FOR DAYTIME.
DARK SUIT AND LONG DRESS FOR EVENING.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1976

9:00 AM VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS. ROCKEFELLER AND MISS MURPHY
BOARD AIR FORCE II EN ROUTE ISFAHAN AIRPORT.
FLYING TIME: 45 MINUTES
NOTE: OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY WILL ALSO FLY TO ISFAHAN
AND BE PROVIDED OTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR SIGHTSEEING
AND SHOPPING.

9:45 AM ARRIVE ISFAHAN AIRPORT

9:50 AM VICE PRESIDENT BOARDS MOTORCASE EN ROUTE SIGHTSEEING
AND SHOPPING TOUR OF ISFAHAN
GOI LEAD USSS
LIMO (4143) VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER
MRS. ROCKEFELLER
MISS MURPHY
USS FOLLOW-UP MEDIC
GOI FOLLOW-UP
CONTROL CAR CANBERI
RILAND
GOI PROTOCOL
SPARE CAR

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TAIL CAR

1:00 PM VICE PRESIDENT ARRIVES SHAH ABBAS HOTEL FOR
PRIVATE LUNCHEON WITH GOVERNOR GENERAL AND OTHER
DIGNITARIES AND MEMBERS OF THE VICE PRESIDENT'S
OFFICIAL PARTY. (INFORMAL - 15 GUESTS)

3:00 PM DEPART LUNCHEON FOR TOUR OF MOSQUE AND PALACE

4:15 PM DEPART TOUR EN ROUTE ISFAHAN AIRPORT

4:45 PM ARRIVE ISFAHAN AIRPORT

4:50 PM BOARD AIR FORCE II

4:55 PM AIR FORCE II DEPARTS EN ROUTE KISH ISLAND

FLYING TIME: 45 MINUTES

5:40 PM ARRIVE KISH ISLAND AIRPORT

6:00 PM DEPART KISH ISLAND AIRPORT FOR RESIDENCE

FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1976

8:00 AM BAGGAGE CALL

9:00 AM AIR FORCE II DEPARTS KISH ISLAND EN ROUTE KUALA LUMPUR.

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